

## Minerals Management Service, Interior

## § 250.191

in property or equipment damage greater than \$25,000.

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### **§ 250.189 Reporting requirements for incidents requiring immediate notification.**

For an incident requiring immediate notification under § 250.188(a), you must notify the District Manager via oral communication immediately after aiding the injured and stabilizing the situation. Your oral communication must provide the following information:

- (a) Date and time of occurrence;
- (b) Operator, and operator representative's, name and telephone number;
- (c) Contractor, and contractor representative's name and telephone number (if a contractor is involved in the incident or injury/fatality);
- (d) Lease number, OCS area, and block;
- (e) Platform/facility name and number, or pipeline segment number;
- (f) Type of incident or injury/fatality;
- (g) Operation or activity at time of incident (*i.e.*, drilling, production, workover, completion, pipeline, crane, etc.); and
- (h) Description of the incident, damage, or injury/fatality.

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### **§ 250.190 Reporting requirements for incidents requiring written notification.**

(a) For any incident covered under § 250.188, you must submit a written report within 15 calendar days after the incident to the District Manager. The report must contain the following information:

- (1) Date and time of occurrence;
- (2) Operator, and operator representative's name and telephone number;
- (3) Contractor, and contractor representative's name and telephone number (if a contractor is involved in the incident or injury);
- (4) Lease number, OCS area, and block;
- (5) Platform/facility name and number, or pipeline segment number;
- (6) Type of incident or injury;
- (7) Operation or activity at time of incident (*i.e.*, drilling, production, workover, completion, pipeline, crane etc.);

(8) Description of incident, damage, or injury (including days away from work, restricted work or job transfer), and any corrective action taken; and

(9) Property or equipment damage estimate (in U.S. dollars).

(b) You may submit a report or form prepared for another agency in lieu of the written report required by paragraph (a) of this section, provided the report or form contains all required information.

(c) The District Manager may require you to submit additional information about an incident on a case-by-case basis.

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### **§ 250.191 How does MMS conduct incident investigations?**

Any investigation that MMS conducts under the authority of sections 22(d)(1) and (2) of the Act (43 U.S.C. 1348(d)(1) and (2)) is a fact-finding proceeding with no adverse parties. The purpose of the investigation is to prepare a public report that determines the cause or causes of the incident. The investigation may involve panel meetings conducted by a chairperson appointed by MMS. The following requirements apply to any panel meetings involving persons giving testimony:

(a) A person giving testimony may have legal or other representative(s) present to provide advice or counsel while the person is giving testimony. The chairperson may require a verbatim transcript to be made of all oral testimony. The chairperson also may accept a sworn written statement in lieu of oral testimony.

(b) Only panel members, and any experts the panel deems necessary, may address questions to any person giving testimony.

(c) The chairperson may issue subpoenas to persons to appear and provide testimony or documents at a panel meeting. A subpoena may not require a person to attend a panel meeting held at a location more than 100 miles from where a subpoena is served.

(d) Any person giving testimony may request compensation for mileage, and fees for services, within 90 days after the panel meeting. The compensated